

**JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT
NORTHERN MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURTS
GRANT SYNOPSIS
Grant Period: February 1, 2005 to January 31, 2006**

11th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$25,005
Alger, Luce, Mackinac and Schoolcraft Counties		

In an effort to increase safety and to decrease drug and alcohol abuse, the 11th Judicial Circuit Court, Family Division, consisting of Mackinac, Luce, Schoolcraft and Alger counties will implement the Youth Substance Abuse Assistance Program. This will be a program to assist adjudicated youth with substance abuse issues by providing a comprehensive system of substance abuse services combined with adequate court supervision and increased drug and alcohol testing.

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12th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$17,303
Baraga, Houghton and Keweenaw Counties		

The 12th Circuit court will in conjunction with the Western Upper Peninsula Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency continue its highly successful program aimed at improving the quality of life surrounding juvenile offenders who come into contact with the court. A coordinated, multi-faceted approach will be utilized to guide the youth (and their parents) through the recovery process in order to increase the probability that the youth will not be a repeat offender.

The components included in this program are the Intensive Residential service which will offer stabilization and a 'jump start' (or 're-start') in the recovery process, or U.P. Behavioral Health who will assist those offenders who do not require the residential setting, through individual, group, and family counseling. Lastly, as an integral part of this concept is a synchronized process of 'testing' by the court and sanctions for those who do not respond to the coordinated efforts of the Court and the Substance Abuse delivery system.

This "GAP Project" is one which has engaged the systems of Criminal Justice and Human Service Delivery in a most productive way. The two Systems' workers are able to communicate effectively, and are working together efficiently to positively impact on children who come into contact with the 12th Circuit Court with the goal that they will not appear in criminal court as an adult.

The Juvenile Court staff will follow proper protocols and will impose sanctions for those offenders who consistently fail to show improvement regarding their use. The reason for the Drug Testing policies remains assessment, deterrence, monitoring for contract compliance, personal and public safety, and general accountability.

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13th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$91,780
Antrim, Grand Traverse and Leelanau Counties		

Youth on probation, who are under the jurisdiction of the court, will be tested for unlawful use of controlled substances and alcohol. Those youth who continue to violate the law will receive graduated sanctions including detention. Those youth who qualify and are referred will have the opportunity for community-based programming through the Intensive Day Treatment Center. This multi-systemic approach will reduce youth crime as evidenced by the significant reductions in Grand Traverse county's petitions.

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19th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$ 24,036
Benzie and Manistee Counties		

The 19th Judicial Circuit will use a program of graduated sanctions coupled with individualized treatment/intervention strategies to deter alcohol and drug use in Benzie and Manistee Counties. Upon receiving a petition for a drug or alcohol offense the court staff will do a assessment and determine the best course of action, based on prior knowledge of the youth and discussing the matter with the parents. If the staff feels the minor can be placed in the first time offender program a referral with be made to CMH. If a through assessment is recommended, Catholic Social Services will do an assessment and make a recommendation to the Court Staff. The recommendation could be for the youth to attend the intensive outpatient treatment, in-patient treatment or drug court. We normal start out by sending the youth to an educational program; however, if the problem begins to escalate we will then place the youth at a higher level of treatment. All the caseworkers are very knowledgeable on programs that are available for youth in the area. Throughout these different levels of treatment, the program is tailored to the individual, with one common goal, zero tolerance.

23rd Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$47,628
Alcona, Arenac, Iosco and Oscoda Counties		

The 23rd Circuit Court will utilize JABG dollars to fund probation programs in each of the four counties. While each county differs somewhat in judicial philosophies and services available, youth will be mandated to be drug and alcohol free. Assessments, referrals for treatment or detention, drug testing, and education are components that will be used to maintain our JABG programs. Most of these are already in existence.

Each county will use it's own probation programs, enhanced by JABG dollars, to work with the population of youth who fall into this category. Statistics and other information are compiled in each county, and circuit wide. While programming will vary in each county, the underlying philosophy is consistent in the need to identify youth who fall into

the JABG categories, use drug testing and treatment options to work with these youth and promote the need to be drug and alcohol free as well as work to earn successful releases from probation can be seen across the entire Circuit.

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25th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$40,814
Marquette County		

This grant supports Drug Enforcement Monitors 25 hours per week. The Drug Enforcement Probation Officers (DEPOs) provide drug screens and immediate graduated responses for all court wards who might be involved with alcohol or other drugs and are referred by their probation officers. This grant also provides for substance abuse monitors who provide random drug screens, in-home supervision and supervise community service work, which is important for a BARJ concept. The DEPO(s) also administer a regular drug court (accountability forum) and coordinate the Community Service Work Program. All of these duties are designed to eventually establish a system of community justice in Marquette County.

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26th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$21,648
Alpena and Montmorency Counties		

The Court operates two substance abuse programs depending on the probation level and/or placement of the juveniles. Regular probationers, intensive/in-home care probationers, youths on deferred prosecution and youths on a consent calendar are all expected to comply with a Zero Tolerance policy for substance abuse. All youths are subject to random checks for substance abuse. First time offenders for minor in possession are referred to Catholic Human Services (CMH) for a substance abuse education group session and/or Alcohol Highway Safety Class. Some first time offenders are also sent to CMH for alcohol screening after court order. As necessary, follow-up outpatient counseling or other appropriate services are ordered as mandatory. Repeat offenders for substance abuse, or who commit offenses while under the influence of substances are referred for a screening and follow-up outpatient or in-patient treatment for substance as may be required. Contract providers for this intensive counseling include Catholic Human Services and Behavioral Health and Counseling (Robert Smock). The Court also participates in a day treatment program known as Turning Point, providing intensive day programming to juveniles who have failed to successfully maintain themselves while on regular probation and are at severe risk of being placed out of the home and community. This program includes an education component, work component and intensive substance abuse therapy. The therapy is provided by a contract consultant. Intensive substance abuse screenings and counseling (minimum of weekly) are provided on-site by Robert Smock under a service contact.

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27th Circuit Court
Newaygo and Oceana Counties

Total Grant Amount

\$53,356

Newaygo County proposes to use JABG-N to help support current programs. The Juvenile Anger Management Services and Second Wind program which are both educational in nature, have been shifted to the Child Care Fund in order that we can hopefully help maintain the PRIDE Youth Program's diversion programming. This program is the beginning of a continuum of services for youth dealing with substance abuse issues. The Risk program is a three-phase program that identifies and treats juvenile substance abuse. Phase I is in-home monitoring and individual therapy, Phase II is placement in foster care with in-home monitoring and individual therapy. Phase III utilizes residential treatment when the juvenile continues to test dirty for substances, or it is determined at the outset that the problem is too severe for an unstructured setting. It should be noted that the Child Care Fund will also pick up programming when the JABG-N funds are depleted.

Oceana County will identify problems with drugs and/or alcohol through providing drug screenings. If necessary, the client is referred for a substance abuse evaluation. The probation officer also does a risk assessment to determine the level of care that the client will need. Substance abuse education will be provided through private substance abuse programs and includes either an eight-week MIP class or ongoing individual counseling. The Y.O.D.A. Group (Youth Overcoming Drugs and Alcohol) is offered to all clients who have substance abuse charges and the Grace Youth Camp Program is an all day program and meets on Saturdays, once a month.

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28th Circuit Court
Missaukee and Wexford Counties

Total Grant Amount

\$30,671

The 28th Circuit Court, serving Wexford and Missaukee Counties, contracts with Hope Network North to provide community surveillance services, to juvenile offenders with substance abuse issues. The program's intent is to provide these services as an alternative to out-of-home placement.

The accountability based services include frequent contacts (including weekends and evenings,) developing written goals to improve / maintain school involvement and / or employment, community service projects, and other measures to ensure continued in-home placement.

The officer will arrange, monitor, and insure compliance with community service projects ordered by the court, and when appropriate, refer and assist youth in securing employment. If other programs are required, the youth will be referred to community resources for counseling, substance abuse programs, etc.

The contractor complies with the court dispositional orders for drug and alcohol testing.

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32nd Circuit Court Gogebic and Ontonagon Counties	Total Grant Amount	\$16,333
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The program primarily funds a part-time (now reduced to 20 hour) intensive probation officer, responsible for establishing and implementing the drug testing program, and costs of that program. Other components have been reduced by the cut in grant funding but continue to include occasional testing by the IPO in Ontonagon, the smaller county in the Circuit. The intensive PO is primarily in Gogebic County with a significantly higher caseload, but extends some testing service to bordering Ontonagon youth.

Offenders with offenses or violations reflecting substance issues are referred for monthly urine testing. Their record in the program is monitored and results in graduated sanctions for continued offenses, up to eventual placement and treatment. Testing occurs at the Courthouse or at schools, using cooperating School Nurses or female court personnel for female offenders.

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33rd Circuit Court Charlevoix County	Total Grant Amount	\$12,683
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The Family Division of the Circuit Court for Charlevoix County has developed numerous substance abuse programming interventions to address the needs of those individuals entering our system. With the development of these programs, especially the Recovery High Substance Abuse Program, and other services available to youth through this court, we have uncovered a critical component that is necessary to address enabling juvenile courts to be more effective and efficient in holding juvenile offenders accountable and reduce recidivism. We must continue to address the lack of Out-Patient Counseling.

We desire to provide out-patient counseling to youth as a way to increase public safety by providing youth with a comprehensive system of treatment services, court supervision and the integration of court and community services which will result in a more effective and efficient method of reducing recidivism to an estimated 16 youth per year.

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34th Circuit Court Ogemaw and Roscommon Counties	Total Grant Amount	\$36,102
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After a positive drug or alcohol screen or a youth is adjudicated on drug or alcohol-related charges, the youth completes the Substance Abuse Subtle Screening Inventory

(SASSI) and is interviewed by the Juvenile Officer or Probation Officer. All youth who fall into the above category will be referred to alternative services, such as individual therapy for substance abuse. In addition, throughout the course of all treatment, probation visits will occur weekly at a variety of settings (school, home and office) and random surveillance checks will be performed at their residence to ensure youth are home before curfew and maintaining abstinence from drugs and alcohol.

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41st Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$33,153
Dickinson, Iron and Menominee Counties		

In Menominee County the JAB Grant funds a full-time Probation Officer responsible for supervising adjudicated youth not supervised by the Diversion Officer, the Intensive Probation Officer, or FIA. Supervision is provided on a weekly basis in the schools or alternate locations as arranged. Supervision includes random drug and alcohol testing, monitoring school attendance and behavior, assisting youth and families in identifying individual issues that impede success, and assisting in identifying and accessing needed services.

Dickinson County uses the JAB Grant to partially fund a full-time Intensive Probation Officer responsible for supervising adjudicated youth not supervised by the Juvenile Officer or FIA. Supervision is provided on a daily basis in the probationers' homes, schools or alternate locations as arranged. Supervision includes random drug and alcohol testing, monitoring school attendance and behavior, assisting youth and families in identifying individual issues that impede success, and assisting in identifying and accessing needed services.

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46th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$54,956
Crawford, Kalkaska and Otsego Counties		

The 46th Circuit Trial Court has applied the resources of the J.A.B.G. grant to improve the effectiveness of court action when dealing with substance abuse issues involving juvenile delinquents. Program components include a wide continuum of services designed to both provide supportive treatment and also negative consequences depending on the actions of juveniles participating in the program. In addition to casework supervision, the following are service area components employed within the J.A.B.G. program: community service assignment, counseling referral, initial and random drug testing, electronic monitoring, and sanction/treatment program placement.

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47th Circuit Court
Delta County

Total Grant Amount

\$11,428

A program will be implemented whereby the Attorney Juvenile Hearing Officer will be responsible to conduct all hearings involving drug, alcohol or tobacco offenses. The Attorney Juvenile Hearing Officer will implement programs to insure that juveniles who commit alcohol, drug or tobacco offenses are held accountable for their actions. The program will impose sanctions on those juveniles that continue to violate the law. An incentive program will also be implemented to reward compliance. Juveniles who commit drug, alcohol or tobacco offenses will be required to review various educational material (printed and video) concerning substance abuse including attending a mandatory educational class.

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49th Circuit Court
Mecosta and Osceola Counties

Total Grant Amount

\$36,032

The grant funds will continue to be utilized primarily to maintain a Substance Abuse Testing program that involves the testing of youth that have been referred to the Juvenile Division. Tests will be given to selected youth at their home, school, or site selected by the Juvenile Division staff. The youth will be tested for alcohol and/or controlled substance use with their Juvenile Division staff being immediately notified of any positive test results. Some of these funds will be utilized to provide secure detention for youth that have tested positive for drug and/or alcohol use.

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50th Circuit Court
Chippewa County

Total Grant Amount

\$17,658

Chippewa County is utilizing grant funds to increase drug testing and provide treatment services for clients and families dealing with substance abuse issues. Sanctions for continued drug use include increased screenings, sanctioned community work service, escalation in treatment services, and increased supervision. Funds will also be used for drug testing equipment.

The Court utilizes the community work service component as a consequence to continued substance use. A community work service supervisor has been funded by the grant to allow on-site supervision of clients providing community work service.

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51st Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$37,943
Lake and Mason Counties		

This grant is being used for continuation of a probation program to hold youth accountable for their use of drugs and alcohol. Mason and Lake Counties have developed graduated sanctions that include detaining, violating probation, up to actual treatment programs. Rewards will be given for clean test.

The program includes taking digital pictures of youth, drug testing, the use of stand-by workers that can sit with youth in Holdover, community service work and drug education such as meetings, books CD's etc. Probation departments have technology to support them in better case management. These include computers, laptops, printers, scanners, internet access, night-vision binoculars and pagers.

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53rd Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$12,530
Cheboygan and Presque Isle Counties		

The 53rd Circuit Court Family Division, Presque Isle County operates one substance abuse program. Regular probationers, intensive/in-home care probationers, youths on deferred prosecution and youths on a consent calendar are all expected to comply with the Zero Tolerance Policy for substance abuse. First time offenders for minor in possession are referred to Highway Safety Class. Some first time offenders are also sent for alcohol screening after court order. As necessary, follow-up outpatient counseling or other appropriate services are ordered as mandatory. Repeat offenders for substance abuse or who commit offenses while under the influence of substance are referred for screening and follow-up outpatient or inpatient treatment for substance as may be required. Contract provider for this intensive counseling is Catholic Human Services. 53rd Judicial Circuit Court Family Division, Cheboygan County goal is to educate first time offenders, be more punitive on second time offenders.

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55th Circuit Court	Total Grant Amount	\$34,628
Clare and Gladwin Counties		

The purpose of the program, to increase both prevention and treatment services available to adolescents adjudicated by the Clare/Gladwin County Probate Court, remains the same with one additional objective. To increase the case management services needed by these individuals. Therefore, this comprehensive program will include prevention and treatment services, case management, court supervision, and other community services with the primary goal of decreasing the likelihood of recidivism. After completing the assessment the court will be notified regarding the results of the assessment and recommendations based on the assessment will be given to the court. Based on the assessment individuals will be assigned to one of three levels of programming. These are

as follows: Minor In Possession (MIP), Teen Focus, and Decisions. MIP and Focus are designed as preventive type of services providing assistance as needed to decrease recidivism for first time offenders or those with at-risk behaviors who may potentially develop abuse or addiction issues. MIP is a six-hour educational program. Teen Focus will be held for eight consecutive weeks for 1½ hours per group. The third option, Decisions, is for those adolescents experiencing difficulties with substance use, abuse or addiction. This group meets 1½ hours each week for eight weeks. This also includes a bi-weekly individual session. In some cases, dependent upon the severity of the abuse or addiction, individual counseling and family counseling may occur.

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57th Circuit Court
Emmet County

Total Grant Amount

\$22,040

The grant will fund a part time position entitled Substance Abuse Services Coordinator (SASC). This position will work with multiple service providers, schools, and the court to enhance a comprehensive plan of treatment for juveniles. The SASC will provide substance abuse assessments and review assessment results with the juvenile and family. The SASC will gather information from probation officers and other services providers in reference to potential needs, discuss treatment options with youth and family. The SASC will be responsible for coordination of services and communication between all service providers. The SASC will facilitate substance abuse group therapy for juveniles at least one time weekly, and plan and facilitate a parent support group.

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